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Pittsburgh Controller Chelsa Wagner and Husband Khari Mosley Charged In Altercation with Detroit Police Officers

Prosecutor Kym Worthy has charged Chelsa Wagner, 41 (DOB: 07/24/1977), and her husband Khari Mosley, 50 (DOB: 03/22/1976), of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in connection with an altercation that occurred at the Westin Book Cadillac Hotel in Detroit.

On March 6, 2019, at approximately 12:17 a.m., police were called to the hotel to investigate a disturbance that was created by Mr. Mosley at the reception desk, in the elevator area, and the entry way of the hotel. He was irate that hotel personnel would not allow him up to the room which was registered only in his wife's name, when he did not have a room key. The hotel manager called the room and no one answered the phone. When the police arrived, it is alleged that he was gesturing and speaking loudly in a confrontational manner to the hotel staff. During their investigation, the police went to Ms. Wagner's room to confirm that Mr. Mosley was her husband. After Ms. Wagner confirmed the information, Mr. Mosley eventually calmed down and was allowed into the room by the police.

While the police were leaving, but still in the hallway, they heard a loud noise and shouting inside the room. This caused them to return to the room to investigate. They advised Ms. Wagner that hotel security requested that her husband leave. Ms. Wagner was informed that hotel security would allow her to remain in the room. When an officer tried to remove Mr. Mosley, Ms. Wagner prevented the officer from taking action. It is alleged that she put her arm on him, and when he moved her arm to get into the room, she pushed his hand away.

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Mr. Mosley was placed in handcuffs, and as the officers and hotel security walked him to the elevator, it is alleged that Ms. Wagner blocked the elevator door. The officer with Mr. Mosley asked Ms. Wagner to move several times and she continued to block the elevator door. It is alleged that she grabbed and pushed the officer and he used his arm to move her during the assault, and she fell to the floor. Ms. Wagner was placed under arrest for assaulting the officer. While the officer attempted to handcuff her, she resisted and was uncooperative. She was taken to the Detroit Detention Center. Her husband, who was no longer causing a disturbance, was not arrested and was allowed to go to a nearby hotel.

Prosecutor Worthy said, "The officers involved in this case used remarkable restraint while dealing with the combined actions of these defendants. The evidence will show that during the incident Ms. Wagner and Mr. Mosley disparaged the officers and the hotel employees."

Charges for Chelsa Wagner

Ms. Wagner has been charged with two counts of Resisting and Obstructing the Police, a felony carrying a maximum penalty of two years, and one count of Disorderly Conduct, a misdemeanor with a maximum penalty of 90 days.*

Charges for Khari Mosley

Mr. Mosley has been charged with one count of Disorderly Conduct, and one count of Disturbing the Peace. Both charges are misdemeanors with a maximum penalty of 90 days.*

Arrangements will be made for the defendants to turn themselves in for arraignment at 36th District Court.

* The charges are allegations and defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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